



Hope Star



The Weather

Fair to partly cloudy Friday and Saturday. Little temperature change.

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Our Daily Bread

Sliced Thin by The Editor

ALEX. H. WASHBURN

Underpass for No. 29

Pilkinton's Marriage Bill

News from Little Rock today may indicate the first favorable "break" in this section's long fight to make State Highway 29 a hard-surfaced road, joining U. S. 67 here with paved Louisiana No. 10 at the state line at Arkana. Today's news is that early in January the federal Public Works Administration (PWA) will ask for bids on an underpass to eliminate the grade-crossing where No. 29 intersects the Louisiana & Arkansas Railway south of town.

New England Hit by Quake, Damage Slight

Shakes Heavy Buildings; Felt in New Jersey and Canada

BOSTON — (P)—An earthquake starting in New England and felt in New Jersey and Canada shook heavy buildings, caused slight damage and threw thousands of persons into panic early Friday.

Prof. Don Leet of the Harvard University Observatory said it lasted 30 seconds.

Awakened by the rumbling as their homes swayed men, women and children in cities as far west as Rochester and Syracuse, N. Y., arose in alarm. New Englanders dashed into the street in their night-clothes.

Whole communities were aroused during the night.

In one case a baby was thrown from his crib by the earth tremor.

The shock in Montreal, Canada, was enough to awaken sleepers and shake small ornaments in homes, but it did not cause serious damage.

British Insist Nazis in Italy

German Troops Said to Be Seen Swarming Over Rome

LONDON — (P)—The British Broadcasting Corporation, quoting a "neutral observer" in Rome, said Thursday night large numbers of German anti-aircraft gunners and other German army units described as "specialists" have arrived in Rome.

Italian officers told the neutral observer, BBC said, "These arrivals are the beginning of a German attempt to reduce Italy from the status of an ally to that of a vassal."

BBC quoted Rome reports which said the council of the Fascist Militia passed a resolution Thursday calling on Italians "to form a bloc strong enough to meet all trials around Il Duce," while one of the greatest crises in history is nearing its conclusion."

Kroger Store Will Close 6 p. m. Tuesday

The Kroger grocery store on South Main street will begin its Christmas holiday at 6 o'clock sharp Tuesday night, December 24, the management announced Friday. The Hope store will close at 6 p. m. Tuesday and remain closed all day Christmas to give employees Christmas eve and Christmas day with their families. The public's attention was called to this early closing hour Christmas eve by Cecil W. Dennis, grocery manager, and K. L. Caplinger, market manager.

Silkswarm Culture

Silkswarm culture in Japan has reached a high state of development. Eggs can be sold only by licensed firms, and the health of resulting worms must be guaranteed.

CRANIUM CRACKERS

"Great" Film Roles
Listed below are the titles of five motion pictures, all of which begin with same two words. Can you name the actor who played the title role in each?

1. The Great Ziegfeld.
2. The Great Dictator.
3. The Great McGirt.
4. The Great Victor Herbert.
5. The Great Profile.

Answers on Comic Page

Christians to Hold Xmas Play

Drama Part of Annual White Christmas Service

"My Heart Shall Not Fear," a Christmas drama, will be presented at the Christian church Sunday night at 7:30. The drama, under the direction of Wingfield Stroud, is a part of the annual white Christmas services at the church.

The Bible School's annual Christmas program, with tree and Santa Claus, will be presented Christmas Eve at 7:30.

The east: Grandpa Mason—Alva Reynerson, Ida Newine, the widow—Mrs. Cline Franks.

Her children — Alice—Rose Mary Coop, Barbara—Carolyn Arnett, Baby Judy Franks.

Flint, the landlord, — Donald V. Moore.

Mr. Houston, church elder—Lloyd Coop.

Heavy Foreign Investment

The United States government has approximately \$13,000,000 invested in land and buildings in foreign countries. Original value of the furniture in these buildings is about \$600,000.

British Eye Ships in U. S.

Minister Declares Real Struggle for 1941

LONDON — (P)—The British Minister of shipping Friday cast a "coveted eye" on a certain number of enemy ships in the United States and declared that assignment of these and certain United States ships to Britain's service are "the only way to do."

The minister, Ronald Cross, declared that Britain's real struggle would come in 1941. He pictured the submarine as the greatest threat to the British line.

"One naturally hopes," he said, "that the United States will be able to help us in the coming year."

"I am grateful for what we have got already."

A Thought

If thou wouldst find much favor and peace with God and man, be very low in thine own eyes. Forgive thyself little and others much—Leighton.

Selassie and Sylvia Pankhurst Busy Stirring Up Ethiopia Against Italy



Haile Selassie

Mussolini probably wishes he had never heard of Ethiopia. A raid on El Uak may presage another British drive in Africa, and the tough natives have plenty of scores to settle in their own way. This story tells what's happening nearby.



Sylvia Pankhurst

The man is Haile Selassie, one-time emperor of Ethiopia. The woman is Sylvia Pankhurst, dynamic daughter of the late and equally dynamic Emmeline Pankhurst. Their joint purpose is to stir up the Ethiopians in the hinterland regions so they will revolt against Italian rule.

The hint is that the British have been moving supplies near the frontier to the war-like Ethiopian tribes can get arms.

The hope is that with the Suez Canal closed to Italian ships, Mussolini will not be able to get reinforcements, arms or supplies to his forces in Ethiopia.

With some help from British forces stationed in Egypt and the Sudan, the dream is to whip the Italians and restore Ethiopia to its rightful ruler, thus smashing Mussolini's vision of a great African empire.

"He's a King, You Know"

Mussolini's troops began their march into Ethiopia Oct. 3, 1935, on the now familiar Hitlerian formula that the sheep had attacked the wolf.

May 5, 1936, Italian troops entered the capital of Addis Ababa and Haile Selassie fled to England via Palestine.

May 9, 1936, Italy formally annexed Ethiopia and King Victor Emmanuel was then called emperor.

It was a dazed, weary, little brown man with a silvery-black beard and purple cloak who came to London. One of his titles was "King of Kings," but he did not look it. Another of his titles was "Lion of Judah," but he appeared to be about the meekest king ever.

At a luncheon in London an enterprising American woman got his autograph while the shocked Lord Robert Cecil, who presided, expostulated to the female go-getter:

"Oh, but you shouldn't! Oh, but you mustn't! He's a king, you know!"

Haile saidly took his kingship down to a modest house in the watering place of Bath.

Fighter for Great Causes

Then it was that Miss Pankhurst entered the picture. With her famous mother, she was a militant suffragette back in the years before the World War.

Like her mother, she was jailed.

Jackrabbits Cost Farmer \$2,075.21

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. (P)—When wild jackrabbits invaded the wheat fields of Charles T. Peacock he estimated they destroyed \$2,075.21 worth of wheat.

Revenue Asked From Sales Tax

Arkansas State College Asks For Financial Aid

LITTLE ROCK — (P)—A charge by a legislator that Arkansas State College of Jonesboro was planning to renew efforts in the 1941 legislature to require revenue from the sales tax to postpone action on school legislation Friday.

Rep. Forrest Rozzell of Little Rock made the charge.

The postponement of school legislation came after Senator James Dooch had submitted a request for \$153,200 for Arkansas State College.

On Dooch's motion the committee deferred consideration of the request until B. C. Kays, Arkansas State president, can appear before the body.

Nazis Demand French Changes Observers Predict France Will Comply With Terms

BERN, Switzerland — (P)—Fernand de Brion, representative of the French government in German-occupied Paris, took Thursday to Marshal Petain in Vichy what diplomatic sources here described as "firm" Nazi demands for "radical" changes in the government's personnel.

The Vichy cabinet meeting decided these sources said, that certain cabinet changes would be made to meet the demands.

The ousted Vice Premier Laval, they said, probably would not figure by name among the successors of those to be ousted. But those losing posts are expected to include some known as Laval's political enemies.

Petain, it was said, would announce the changes in a radio speech to the nation, probably Saturday. Further cabinet meetings are to be held Friday and Saturday.

The British wireless, in a broadcast heard in New York by CBS, declared de Brion's visit to Vichy indicated the crisis started in Vichy by the ouster of Laval is rapidly coming to a head."

The diplomatic activities surrounding the release and eventual comeback of Laval are not yet an end," the broadcast said. "According to the Berlin correspondent of the paper La Stuisse, it is quite possible that Laval may return into the government as minister of interior, that is to say he will replace one of the ministers who, according to not yet confirmed rumors, has most violently opposed his comeback."

RAF planes set off fires and explosions Thursday night on the transport parts and garages at Bardia and sources said practically all the equipment was in a blaze.

Similar raids were carried out north of Bardia. In fierce airfighting Thursday five Italian planes were downed without the loss of a single British plane, British sources announced.

Stuart Stores Open in Hope New Grocery on Second Street Just East of Walnut

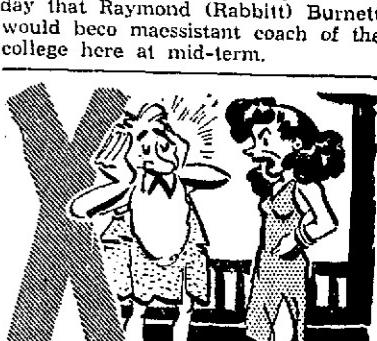
Stuart Stores, a new grocery firm located on Second street just east of the Walnut street intersection, opened for business this week-end.

Two experienced food men are in charge, David E. Day being store manager, and Weaver Stephenson market manager.

Stuart Stores carry a complete line of meats and groceries at featured prices.

COTTON

	By the Associated Press	Open	High	Low	Close
New Orleans cotton:		10.02			10.02
January	10.17	10.21	10.17	10.16	
March	10.09	10.14	10.09	10.09	
May	9.86	9.91	9.86	9.86	
July	9.35	9.35	9.35	9.34	
October	9.27			9.26	
December				9.26	
New York Cotton:		9.99	9.99	9.99	9.99
January	10.12	10.18	10.12	10.12	
March	10.06	10.10	10.05	10.05	
May	9.83	9.86	9.82	9.83	
July	9.30	9.35	9.30	9.31	
October				9.31	
Middling spot:				10.32	



IS XANTHIPPE, SOCRATES' WIFE, HER TONGUE, HISTORY SAYS, WAS SHARP AS A KNIFE, BUT POSSIBLY DISCORD WAS NATURAL, IF THEY— DELAYED CHRISTMAS SHOPPING UNTIL THE LAST DAY...

3 SHOPPING DAYS TILL CHRISTMAS



Every step of retreat taken by Italian troops across Libyan sands means increased power and prestige for Britain in Africa and in the Mediterranean.

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**All Together,
Now — Pull!**

Speculation about the American defense effort may now be put aside. We have the verdict of the man best qualified to know. And his verdict is "Not good enough."

William S. Knudsen, production member of the Defense Commission, has made, so to speak, his report on the first six months of the arms production program. And his considered verdict is that, particularly in the vital field of airplane production, we have fallen 30 per cent short of the goal.

The basic reason for this shortcoming, Knudsen says, is that industry and labor, "the two most important elements," have not been "sold" on the gravity of the situation.

Knudsen believes that there are certain fields in which the only way a marked and immediate increase in production can be shown is by working six or seven days a week instead of five. When such specific situations are uncovered, it should be done. There are plants not yet working three shifts which can be placed on this basis. Every situation is its own problem, with varying degrees of urgency and varying degrees of unused productive capacity. It seems certain that more centralized power must be established to iron out quickly specific kinks in the production line.

This does not mean that all social gains of shorter hours and better conditions must be thrown down the drain at once. But the power to increase the pressure at certain points where the bottlenecks are narrow must be granted soon. The situation has become such that unused capacity can no longer be tolerated.

Knudsen is dead right he says that the public generally is 100 per cent behind the defense effort. And he is right again when he says that "the only way to get this program going is to get a concerted effort and a cooperative effort—an incentive fire with the spirit of sacrifice from everybody from the bench to the manager's desk."

Knudsen hit it again when he said that our problem is "to prove that a free people are capable of self-discipline and of productive work superior to that of a dictator's subjects."

It is not too much to say that the whole future of free government hangs on what the United States is able to accomplish during the next six months. We believe that the American people are prepared to make any required sacrifices to win through on this front, provided that the sacrifices are evenly distributed.

The armament effort is the joint effort of all the American people, not of classes or groups. It is for their joint safety as a people.

They have never failed before to do what was necessary to be done. They will not fail today.

Collect Waste Oil

STOCKHOLM.—(AP)—Sweden has established collection depots for used waste oil to be refined again in an effort to bolster stocks depleted through war blockades.

OUT OUR WAY

I'LL NEVER GIT THAT! A GUY THAT OWNS HAFF TH' COMP'NY EXPERIMENTIN' AN' MONKEYIN' AROUND WITH TH' MACHINIST TRADE... AN' HIM A MILLIONAIRE! WHY DID HE WORK SO HARD TO GIT OUT OF IT IF HE LIKES IT SO WELL?

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You can talk to only one man.
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SINGLETON'S FRESH ROASTED coffee, 1 pound 10c, 2½ pounds 25c, 5 pounds 50c, 10 pounds \$1.00. Sold only by W. P. Singleton, 113 South Elm street, Hope, Ark. Best place in Hope to buy coffee. 17-1mc

BUY ON CREDIT. TIRES, BATTERIES, radios, accessories, and bicycles. Prices and terms to suit your income. Easy Pay Tire Store, S. Walnut street, Phone 145. 28-1mc

THIS YEARS SORGHUM SYRUP—in glass jugs, Hope Star. 13-1f

FAT TURKEYS FOR CHRISTMAS. Place orders now. Lee Garland, Call 9-F-3 between 6 to 12 a. m. 6 to 9 p. m. 19-1tp

STROMBERG, CARLSON AND Troubadour radios—Special prices for Xmas—Electric radios as low as \$7.95. Farm radics as low as \$14.95. less battery. 1000 hour packs \$4.50. Bob Elmore Auto Supply, 210 South Elm. Phone 174. 20-1f

ALLIED BATTERIES. AS LOW AS \$3.19. Batteries recharged 50. Plenty of rentals. Bob Elmore Auto Supply, 210 South Elm. Phone 174. 20-1f

Wanted

20 GALLONS OF MILK DAILY. Hope Dairy & Creamery, Mrs. W. M. Ramsey. 16-6tce

FRANKLIN'S FURNITURE STORE will buy furniture, stoves, log chains, crosscut saws, hoes and axes, 112 South Elm, Hope. 2-1mc

Found

POCKETBOOK IN FRONT OF Brian's drugstore. Apply at Star office. 20-3th

Pandas Off \$10,000 in Light Trading

TOLEDO, O.—(P)—Financial note: Panda prices have "softened."

Zoo officials, recalling that the first panda brought to the United States sold for \$15,000 f. o. b., said they had been offered two for \$5,000 each.

They couldn't buy the animals because of a recent rhinoceros purchase and negotiations for a pair of giraffes.

Mrs. P. A. Stephens left Friday night for Springfield, Ill., to visit with her sister, Mrs. Lucy Dunlap.

Miss Helen Wade is visiting in Little Rock, guest of her sister, Mrs. S. P. Stubbs and Dr. Stubbs.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Brunson left Saturday for their home in Memphis after a visit here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Brunson.

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Mrs. Peck McDougal, Mrs. Wright Gordon and Mrs. Dally Gorham were business visitors in Hope Monday.

J. L. Garner and son, Ira of Nashville, were business visitors in Blevins, Monday.

Mrs. A. B. Wetherington and Mrs. M. L. Nelson were shopping in Prescott Tuesday morning.

Amenia Causes

A mounting tendency of the mind to shut out disagreeable realities, or mental shock resulting from physical injuries, are the main causes of amnesia, or loss of memory.

Said sale will be subject to the approval of the Bank Commissioner and to the approval of the Hempstead Chancery Court.

Interested prospective purchasers will find a list of the assets on file at the office of W. S. Atkins in the Arkansas Bank & Trust Company Building, Hope, Arkansas, also on file at the office of the Clerk of the Chancery Court of Hempstead County, Arkansas.

G. S. JERNIGAN, State Bank Commissioner in charge of Arkansas Bank & Trust Company of Hope, Hempstead County, Arkansas, By W. S. Atkins Special Deputy Bank Commissioner.

Dec. 20, 27

MARKET REPORT
Courtesy McRae Mill & Feed Co.

Heavy hens 8 to 9c lb.
Leghorns 7c
Broilers Lb. 14c
Eggs 11c doz
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SOCIETY

Daisy Dorothy Heard, Editor

Telephone 768

Social Calendar

Friday, December 20th

The Choral club practice will not be held on Friday morning, but the members of the Friday Music club will meet at the home of Mrs. A. C. Kolb Friday night at 7:30 for the annual Christmas party. All members are requested to bring a gift.

The Emanon club dinner, the Barlow, 7 o'clock, Bridge will be played at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. S. McDavitt.

Mrs. R. T. White will compliment Mrs. Jack Stewart of Vicksburg, Miss., at an afternoon bridge, 2:30 o'clock.

THE CHRISTMAS GIFT OF ENJOYMENT!



Now on Sale—Saenger Good at Saenger-Rialto Anytime

ARMY DAY!

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SUNDAY—DECEMBER 22

—ON STAGE—

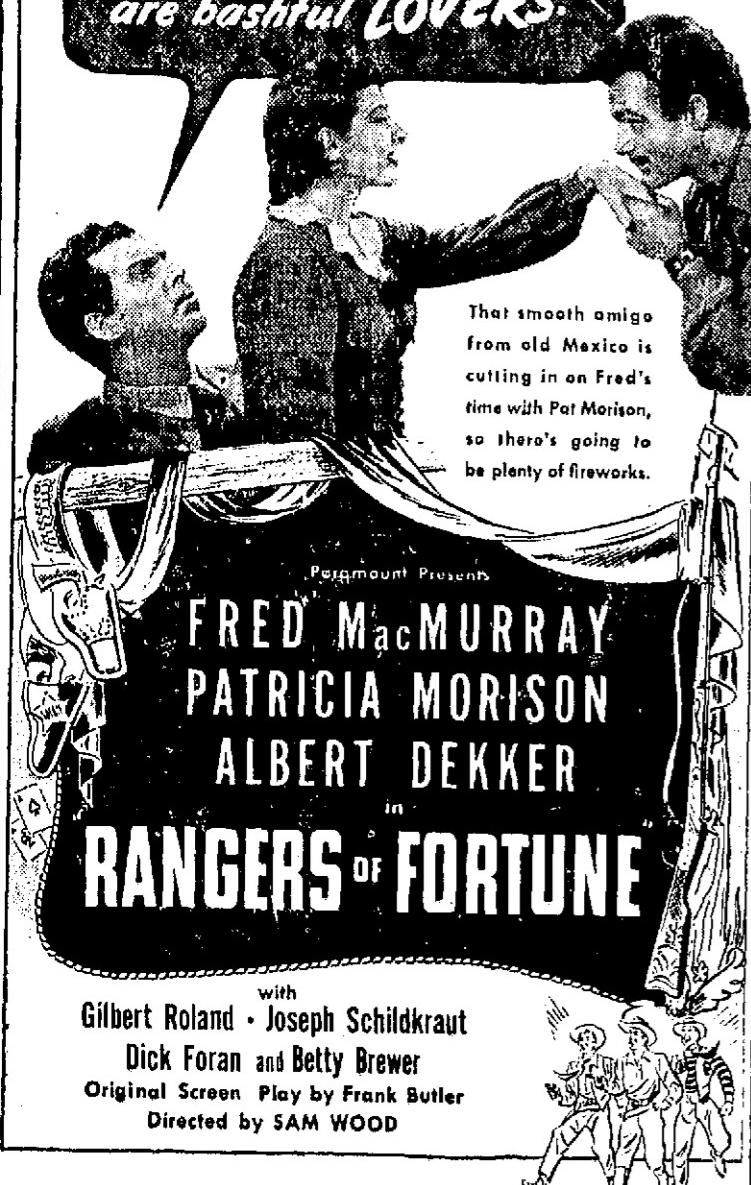
"The Life Of a Draftee"

—PRESENTED BY—

NATIONAL GUARD
TOMMY KINSER & ORCH.

—ON SCREEN—

Sunday—Monday—Tuesday

Who says Latin's
are bashful LOVERS!

That smooth amigo from old Mexico is cutting in on Fred's time with Pat Morison, so there's going to be plenty of fireworks.

Paramount Presents

FRED MacMURRAY
PATRICIA MORISON
ALBERT DEKKER
RANGERS OF FORTUNE

with
Gilbert Roland • Joseph Schildkraut
Dick Foran and Betty Brewer
Original Screen Play by Frank Butler
Directed by SAM WOOD

PLUS
DONALD DUCK
NEWS
Spots Before Eyes



ion receiving the high score. Gifts for each member and the guests were distributed from the beautiful, lighted Christmas tree.

During the afternoon, the hostess served a delicious salad plate with coffee to her guests.

Girl Scout Troop No. 5 Assisting in Work for the Goodfellow

Goodfellow Benefit Dance at the High School, 8 o'clock. The dance, sponsored by the members of the High School Student Council, is for school students only.

First Methodist Sunday School to Observe White Christmas on Sunday

According to the annual custom of the First Methodist church, the White Christmas services will be observed Sunday, Dec. 22. The list of foods to be brought by the various age groups are listed as follows: Beginners, apples and oranges; Primary, oatmeal and canned vegetables; Junior, canned vegetables and rice; Junior high, Irish and sweet potatoes, meal and canned vegetables; Mrs. Lester's class, canned fruits; Mrs. Graves' coffee; Mrs. Thompson's, lard; Mrs. Ruttan's, sugar; Mrs. Arnold's, flour; Men's classes, cash.

The articles will be distributed to the needy of the town during the Christmas week. All students are asked to respond.

Mrs. Lawrence Martin Is Thursday Contract Club Hostess

Mrs. Lawrence Martin was hostess to the members of the bi-monthly Thursday Contract bridge club at her home on South Elm Street. The guests other than the club were Mrs. Cecil Wyatt, Mrs. Milton Eason, and Mrs. Raymond Jones.

Contract bridge was played and after several exciting games, the scores were counted with Mrs. Franklin Hor-

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

So Long as the Christmas Story Lives, There Is Hope for Peace
Text: Luke 2:20

By WILLIAM E. GILROY, D. D.
Editor of Advance

Thanksgiving day and Christmas, both coming close together, are often associated in the public mind, as they ought to be. It is the birth around which this lesson centers which constitutes our chief cause for thanksgiving.

As we contemplate a world at war, with strife and violence on almost every hand, we may thank God for the measure of democracy and peace that our country still enjoys. But with all that has broken loose in the rest of the world it would be blindness and folly to imagine the things we prize most are not imperiled.

The question is one of the extent and immediacy of any peril to us; but even if we were in no peril whatever, it would be a poor and shallow sort of thanksgiving that took no account of the tragedies and sorrows of the world at large.

When we view that world at large, what faith and hope can we have for the future and for mankind apart from the fact of Jesus, and the record of His gospel, His life, His teaching, and His example, as given for us in the New Testament?

The quiet fields where shepherds watched their flocks by night is in strange contrast to blacked-out cities, and even villages and country regions today. Even in Palestine itself one does not know at what moment the mild danger from wild animals against which the shepherds guarded their flocks 1900 years ago may be changed for the dire terror of bomb-laden airplanes overhead. Not even a Holy Land is safe from the horror and desolation of a so-called civilization that has turned its finest products of skill and invention to destructive uses.

It is a dark and terrible picture and the one bright, ultimate contrast is in this Savior, whose birth was announced to the shepherds in the field. Here was the song, of Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill to men.

Here is something that has happened, and that cannot be undone. It is not a hope, or an expectation. It is real. And it is the one bright light that shines in spite of all the darkness before going to Dallas, Texas to spend a part of the holidays.

Mrs. W. E. White and daughter, Miss Mary White were Thursday visitors to Little Rock.

Miss Carolyn Barr, who is a freshman at Belhaven college in Jackson, Mississippi, has arrived to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Barr.

The Misses Mary Nell and Jane Carter will come home Friday night to spend their two-weeks vacation with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Carter. They are attending school at Henderson State Teachers college, Arkadelphia.

Miss Mary Whitworth has returned from a pleasant visit with friends in Little Rock.

Victor Keith of Chiengo is home to spend the holidays with relatives and friends.

The Misses Julia and Janet Lemley will arrive home Friday night to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Lemley. Miss Julia Lemley is a member of the High School faculty at Fort Smith and Miss Janet Lemley is a student at the University of Arkansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Yontz and little daughter, Carol, of Arlington, Texas are expected to arrive in the city this weekend for a holiday visit with Mrs. Yontz's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Carlton. They will be accompanied by Miss Margaret Wells, who will be a guest in the Carlton

home Saturday to spend the holidays with their parents, Dr. and Mrs. Don Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Washburn, parents of A. H. Washburn, publisher of The Star, who visited here last month, were injured in an automobile accident last Sunday at Wilkes-Barre, Pa. On the way home from church their car struck a tree. Mrs. Washburn suffered a broken pelvis and Mr. Washburn a fractured knee-cap. Both were resting well Thursday night, however, the General Hospital at Wilkes-Barre reported. Another son and daughter, Lindsey M. Washburn and Mrs. Frank Murray Gibson, are with them.

SUNDAY DINNER
BAKED YOUNG TURKEY
Dressing, Cranberry Sauce
FRIED CHICKEN
Mashed Potatoes,
French Salad,
It's safe to be hungry at the
CHECKERED CAFE

RIALTO! Sunday - Monday

... She called him a coward and
he Defeated the Whole Navy
to Prove Otherwise!

"CAPTAIN CAUTION"

WITH

VICTOR MATURE
LOUISE PLATT
LEO LARILLO

SHORTS: EASY DOES IT
X MARKS THE SPOT

MALCO Holiday FESTIVAL
NOVEMBER 21st TO DECEMBER 28th

Romantic Epic of West Revives Plains Drama



Music has charm for the ear, and Patricia Morison charms the eye. Here you see Fred MacMurray being utterly charmed by a combination of Merison and music in a scene that is a sentimental interlude in the racy action of "Rangers of Fortune," Paramount's Western epic coming Sunday to the Saenger theater.

In an epic story of America's Southwest, "Rangers of Fortune," which opens Sunday to the Saenger theater, granddaughters, when a land-grabbing gang threatens them with extinction, frontier days, gives free rein to action, romance, adventure in the spectacular drama of three freebooting cowboys who forsake a cafe career of outlawry to use their guns and fists in a savage battle against injustice.

Patricia Morison, in the romantic lead, shares the feminine interest of such distinguished screen classics as "Goodbye, Mr. Chips" and "Our Town." Booses his directorial genius in an entirely new vein for this picture which features Fred MacMurray, Patricia Morison, Albert Dekker, Gilbert Roland, Joseph Schildkraut, and Dick Foran.

From the first episode, in which MacMurray and his two comrades, Dekker and Gilbert Roland, escape from a Mexican firing squad, to furious spectacular final sequences of a battle between the cowboys and land grabbers, the picture is action-studded throughout.

Story of "Rangers of Fortune" derives its interest from the fact that MacMurray and his pals come to the new bid for screen stardom.

mess of history and the black-out of today.

If the Christmas story could be destroyed; if the Jesus of history and the Christ of Christmas could cease to be; then, indeed, we might give up all hope and faith. We might cease to pray or struggle and let the world go down in gloom and ruin.

But the Christ is real. The Christmas story is as precious as ever. As long as it is read and cherished, so will there be a future for men and a hope of brotherhood. It is a time to think of all the great company of people who are living out that faith and hope today. If there are teachings of hate and violence abroad and men who practice them, there are teachings of love and goodness and a holy hope of those who follow them, in the name and in the spirit of Jesus.

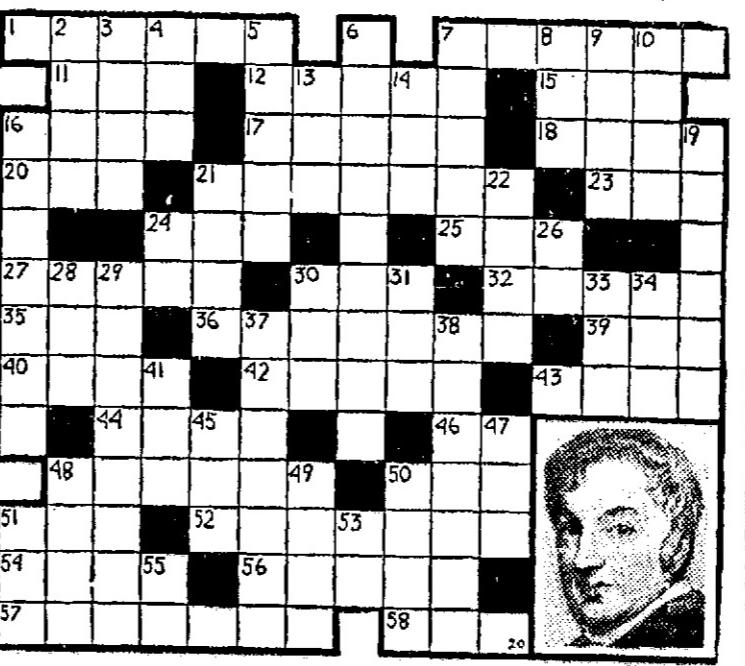
Over in England, in the darkness and terror of a bomb-stricken land they are singing, "There'll always be an England." It is a people's song of courage, and of hope and of faith in their country and its ideals in a time of deepest trial when hearts might easily give over to despair.

But there is a possible song even greater than that, which we too can sing. In the gloom and darkness of the world let us catch the glory that shone around the shepherds, and sing, "There'll always be a Christmas."

FAMOUS MEDICAL MAN

HORIZONTAL

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16	To tie.	26	Flashing.	Flashing
17	Born.	27	To make a mistake.	Make
18	Honorary military promotions.	28	Numbered cube.	Numbered
19	Lion.	29	Mine shaft hut.	Mine
20	Genus of rodents.	30	Eight-sided figure.	Eight-sided
21	Irish.	31	Liano dweller.	Liano
22	Card game.	32	Spikes of corn.	Spikes
23	Short letter.	33	Ocean.	Ocean
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26	Orient.	36	Local position.	Local
27	EAST.	37	Solar disk.	Solar
28	Vertical.	38	Coin.	Coin
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Kroger to Pay Workers Bonus

325 Employees Will Get Christmas Checks

Distribution of Christmas bonus checks to approximately 325 employees of the Little Rock branch of the Kroger Grocery and Baking Co., which operates Kroger food markets in this area, was under way today. G. E. Houston, branch manager, announced. Similar distribution was in progress throughout the company, he said.

Accompanying the checks was a personal Christmas greeting from Albert H. Morris, Kroger president. In his message Morris also informed employees that \$500 had been added to their group life insurance policies for the year starting Dec. 2 1940, without any additional premium cost. This increases the value of their original policy in the summer.

\$1,000 policies to \$2,500, two other \$500 increases having been effected previously.

Houston said that directors of the grocery firm had appropriated \$300-\$600 as bonuses to all who have been in the employ of the company for a year or more, except branch executives and keymen who already are participating in a profit sharing plan.

Kroger employees receiving Christmas bonus checks include store clerks and managers, warehouse, office and factory employees.

Barton to Head State Livestock Association

LITTLE ROCK—(P)—Col. T. H. Barton, of El Dorado, was elected president of the Arkansas Livestock Association at a meeting of the group here Friday.

Col. Barton served as head of the association during its first year and will succeed Raymond Rebsamen, of Little Rock.

It would sort of even things up if we had to shovel either snow or coal

creases the value of their original policy in the summer.

Christmas SPECIAL COMMUNITY PLATE all Patterns 1/3 OFF STEWART'S JEWELRY STORE First National Bank Bldg.

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Surprise Package For YOU!

A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year From The Doctor Mom Jerry The Twins Mary

We'll be spending the Holidays with you. We have an exciting vacation. Let us tell you all about our family celebration

Beginning Monday Dec. 23 in

U.S. Un-neutral, German Belief

Nazi Expression on British Loan Is Expected

Free Picture Draws 7,200

Packed Houses Greet 3rd Annual Free Movie

Approximately 7,200 school children from all over Hempstead county, and the surrounding territory, filled the Saenger theater here throughout the day Friday to see a free movie, made possible by the Malco Holiday Festival and the merchants of Hope.

BERLIN.—(AP)—Officials were silent Thursday on President Roosevelt's plan for aiding Britain, but it was evident reaction would not be delayed long. Authorized sources said they saw "progressive development in a certain direction," obviously meaning increasing aid by the United States to Britain. "The time may come when we must express our opinion."

One hears this sort of comment from informed persons:

"The American president's proposal may be technically within the Neutrality Act, but obviously it is no longer neutral."

Another comment often heard is: "How come that Mr. Roosevelt claims England defends the United States? Who has been violating the American neutrality by belligerent acts within the Pan-American safety zone, by seizing mail and other acts?" What evidence has Mr. Roosevelt that Germany is threatening the United States?

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SERIAL STORY

DUDE COLLEGE

BY OREN ARNOLD

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YESTERDAY: Wesley soon to the Haffey ranch finds Honnie gone. He learns, too, that the bomb night has been stolen. More important to Wes, however, is the fact that Honnie, Andre and Lona are flying into Mexico. He rushes into town, hurries Inspector Starr of the Border Patrol into a car, out to the automobile. He realizes Honnie is in serious danger. • • •

RONNIE GETS A SHOCK

CHAPTER XXIX

RONICA BAILEY was noted for collecting interesting personalities around her and for showing scant patience with bores. Hence there was nothing unusual in her ready agreement to take Lona Montoya on the air jaunt into Mexico, although she was surprised that Andre asked it.

The show began at 9 o'clock and continued until 6 p.m. Every seat in the large Saenger auditorium was filled and dozens were standing in the aisles and lobby. Ticket stubs revealed that slightly over 1,500 school students were on hand at the first performance and similar crowds greeted three other showings.

As the students passed out after each show they were given candy and gum by the management.

The Saenger began holding a free show for students three years ago when only a few hundred attended.

Last year nearly 6,000 students attended and it proved even more successful this year with 7,200.

Friday's feature picture, "Jeepers Creepers," starring Roy Rogers with the Weaver Brothers and Elvira, along with two short subjects, brought much applause and pleasure to the young audience.

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